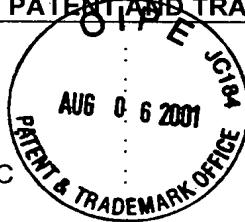


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In re Application of: ALFRED CELLIER

Serial No. 09/885,021

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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Applicant petitions for an extension of time for _____ months(s) to respond to the Office Action dated _____. If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

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An extension for _____ months(s) has already been secured; the fee paid therefor of _____ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested. \$ _____

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Applicant believes that no extension of time is required to respond to the Office Action. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

No additional fee for claims is required.

The fee for claims has been calculated as shown below:

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TOTAL CLAIMS	9	minus	20*	=	-0- x \$ 18.00	\$ -0- -
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MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS					+ \$ 270.00	\$ -
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT:						\$ -0.00

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